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Joint Resolution

To provide for the designation of the week beginning on May 15, 1983, as "National Parkinson's Disease Week".

May 4, 1983

[S.J. Res. 62]

Whereas Parkinson's disease is one of the most devastating illnesses threatening the citizens of the United States;

Whereas Parkinson's disease afflicts one out of every one hundred persons over the age of sixty;

Whereas Parkinson's disease is one of the most severely crippling disorders of the nervous system;

Whereas the American Parkinson Disease Association, the National Parkinson Foundation, the Parkinson's Disease Foundation, and the United Parkinson Foundation are major contributors to research on Parkinson's disease and to treatment and rehabilitation programs for the victims of such disease;

Whereas the Parkinson Education Program/USA and the all-volunteer Parkinson Support Groups of America are devoted to helping Parkinson patients and their families cope with their ailment; and

Whereas research on the causes of and the search for a cure for Parkinson's disease are continuing to be conducted and patient support groups continue to grow and bring new hope to those who bear the burden of this affliction: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the week of May 15, 1983, through May 21, 1983, is designated as "National Parkinson's Disease Week" and the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe that week with appropriate activities and programs.

National
Parkinson's
Disease Week.

Approved May 4, 1983.

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